

## WEST FORK SLACK WATER AMUSEMENT COMPANY

A new company was organized in this city Friday night, to be known as the West Fork Slack Water Amusement Company, and a charter for the same company has been applied for. The officers and directors of the company are all well known and experienced business men and there is no question but the new concern will be a success from the start. The capital stock is \$5,000 subscribed, with privilege of increasing.

The incorporators of the West Fork Slack Water Amusement Co. are John Shinn, president; E. W. Wells, vice president; James R. Crow, secretary, and Emil Walters treasurer. The directors consist of the above named gentlemen, and in addition, Messrs. J. Eversoe, Frank Welch, Wirt Lewis, Thos. Primm, Victor Emmanuel and Frank Cork. The purpose of the company, as indicated by the name, is to enter into the general amusement business, and the charter applied for is wide and far reaching in its scope. The charter embraces the privilege to own and operate steam, naphtha and row boats, a restaurant license, the power to lease or buy lands and to erect buildings for the purpose of giving theatrical or other performances.

This, briefly stated, is the idea and aim of the company, but a more complete statement obtained from one of the officers is as follows:

Since the building of the dam in the West Fork river, as is well known, the water has been backed up the river a distance of about eight miles, and is of a sufficient depth to float boats of the flat bottomed variety. The company will as a starter, build a large stern wheel boat and in the spring start a series of nightly excursions up the river and back. The boat will accommodate 500 people comfortably and will be equipped with all the safeguards against accidents that are required by law. A full orchestra will be on board and there will be dancing on the main deck. A restaurant will also be installed and all kinds of refreshments served.

The starting point of these excursions will be at the new dam, where a commodious boat house and landing will be erected. The turning point will be at the summer resort known as Arcadia, about eight miles up the river. At this point there will be another landing, and passengers can disembark here and enjoy the beautiful natural park, which is located there. At this place will be served shore dinners, a fresco. Fresh fish right from the river cooked in every style will be the feature of the menu.

The excursion trips will start at eight o'clock and continue until midnight, the last trip. The prices charged for the various amusements will be extremely low. In addition to the excursion feature the company will have at the boat house near the dam row boats, naphtha launches, fishing tackle, bathing suits, to let on reasonable terms. Private boats and bathing suits will be stored and kept in order for a small fee. A swimming pool will be arranged with floats, life lines, etc. In the winter season all varieties and sizes of ekates can be rented.

The plan of the West Fork Slack Water Amusement Company certainly looks feasible and it is bound to prove popular. This is something never before known to Clarksburg. What could be more delightful on a sultry summer's night, than to glide up the winding West Fork amid unsurpassed scenery, a summer moon overhead, a cooling drink at your elbow, you own, or some other fellow's girl, a band of music playing your favorite airs; to stop at Arcadia, have a dainty lunch, then to slowly sail homeward as the cool night breezes begin to play, to a night's sweet repose.

Sounds like a dream but this one will come true once the West Fork Slack Water Amusement Company have completed their contemplated plans. A very limited number of shares of stock are still on the market. They can be secured by applying to the president or secretary.

A special dance will be given by the Lee street musical club tonight in the Elkbridge dancing hall. There will be special new music by Crow's orchestra. No intoxicated or indecent persons will be allowed in the hall. The best of order is required. All are cordially invited. The dance will begin at 8 o'clock.

## SARDIS TEACHERS HOLD INSTITUTE

The Sardis district teachers' institute closed at Wallace Friday afternoon and County Superintendent L. W. Ogden and Prof. Frank White who attended from this city, returned on the night train. There were about twenty teachers present, besides a number of Wallace citizens, and a very good program was executed. The citizens of that place were disappointed that sickness prevented Dr. John Weir, of the Wesleyan university at Buckhannon from attending and delivering a lecture at night. The next institute will be held there the second Saturday in January.

## DODGE SELLS PAINT STORE

J. W. Dodge has sold his paint and sign store to Joseph W. Mallory of Ellenboro, who will take possession at once. Included in the sale are the stock, fixtures and good will. Mr. Dodge expects to launch in the real estate business and building and selling houses, in which he was ever successful. He has great confidence in the future of Clarksburg and will remain here, although he will take a much needed rest the middle of the month and visit his mother at Portsmouth, Ohio, and other relatives a short while. Mr. Mallory takes charge of the business with good prospects.

## ELKS WILL HOLD THEIR MEMORIAL

The annual memorial services of the Clarksburg Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will be held at the opera house tomorrow, Sunday at 2:30 o'clock p. m. The past members of the Clarksburg lodge in whose memory this service will be held are brothers C. S. Sands, W. Elbert Dawson, W. B. McGary, G. Carl Kunst, Charles J. Goff and R. T. Lowndes, Jr. The regular service of the lodge will be interspersed with vocal and instrumental music. The Hon. Frank W. Nesbitt, of Wheeling, will make the address of the day. The public has been cordially invited to attend the ceremonies and it is expected that the opera house will be comfortably filled upon this occasion tomorrow afternoon.

## SMITH'S BOND FIXED AT \$5,000

Perdy Smith, the Short Line postal clerk, who was recently arrested charged with rifling registered letters in his car, was taken before United States Commissioner T. S. Spates today, who fixed his bond at \$5,000 and committed him to the Wood county jail. He will be taken from the jail here to that jail later by United States Deputy Marshal C. D. Hupp, who is in the city today from Parkersburg. It is not thought Smith will give the bond.

## EXPLOSION VICTIMS SHIPPED FOR BURIAL

The bodies of Charles Douglass, wife and two sons, who burned to death in a fire at their home near Weston caused by the explosion of a natural gas regulator Thursday night, were shipped Saturday to Sistersville for burial. The other son will likely recover from his injuries.

### L. Ng's Big Pigs

J. H. G. Lang is one ahead so far in the butchering of heavy hogs. Mr. Lang resides on Brushy Fork where there is much rivalry in raising and fattening big hogs. He has just killed four one-year-old chubs. They weighed, respectively, when dressed, 590 3-4, 455, 445 1-2 and 410 pounds, which is hard to beat.

## MACCABEES FORGING AHEAD

At the regular meeting of Clarksburg Tent, No. 19, K. O. T. M., on Friday night, a large amount of business was transacted. The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

Past Commander, J. B. Payne. Commander, O. D. McLoud. Lieutenant Commander, James Henderson. Record Keeper, W. Guy Tetrick. Chaplain, D. W. Phillips. Sergeant, C. L. Wright. Master of Arms, H. H. Elliott. First M. of G., William Coffman. Second M. of G., J. B. Stealey. Sentinel, F. A. Lee. Picket, G. W. Starkey. J. Walter Duncan was elected trustee to serve for three years, the other trustees being E. F. Goodwin and Frank H. Rhodes.

A reorganization of the degree staff is now taking place and in a very short time it is expected that the Macabees of Clarksburg will lead the state in the work presented by the degree staff. The state banner is now held by the Clarksburg tent and there is no intention of the tent to lose it in the end of

## CAPT. POND WILL CONDUCT SERVICES

Captain and Mrs. W. J. Pond, the noted Salvation Army workers, are in the city, and will assist in the Army services tonight and tomorrow at the various street and hall meetings.

Captain and Mrs. Pond established the Army here three years ago and remained at this post two years during which time they accomplished a successful work and won the confidence and respect of the people for that sort of religious work. They proved their faith by their work and by their fruits Clarksburg people know them to be conscientious earnest workers for the uplifting of mankind.

Since withdrawing from the work here just a year ago, they have been successful in other places in the same kind of work.

A short sketch of the lives of these successful Salvationists, together with a production of their likenesses is not out of order here and will prove interesting to Clarksburgers.

Captain Pond was born in Saline county, Mo., July 4, 1878, amid rather adverse circumstances. After about two years his parents moved to

## COLLINS SUES FOR \$10,000

Rev. Thomas H. Collins, of Huntington, a Catholic minister formerly stationed at Salem, has instituted a \$10,000 damage suit in the circuit court here against the Telegram, claiming libel.

Several weeks ago the Telegram published an article in which Mr. Collins' name was used and retracted it the next day.

It is that article Mr. Collins bases his suit on, and in his declaration he claims to have been greatly injured. The declaration covers several type-written pages, and among other things sets forth that those who know him are inclined to believe what the article in question said, notwithstanding the fact that it was promptly retracted, and do not associate with him and are not friendly with him as before.

It is also denied by him that he was guilty of any misconduct of any sort and that the article was based on false reports and so on.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—The Democrats of the House today unanimously nominated John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, for speaker

## COUNCIL MEETING WAS QUITE BRIEF

### IN MEMORY OF MRS. GREGG

After the misty shadows of early evening were securely housed in the still, dark bosom of the night, while friends were anxiously watching, the subtle messenger of death invaded "Home, Sweet Home," and said to dear mother, come! For some hours before, we knew that already mother's "beautiful hands" and weary feet were entering the chilly river, and soon, very soon, with escorting angels singing welcome home, golden streets, life eternal, she would safely step and stand on love's eternal shore. Gently, God called her; peacefully and sweetly her spirit, white and pure, winged its flight to the sunshine, the song the beauty and peace of heaven!

Miss Elizabeth Clark was born in Belmont county, Ohio, May the 13th 1811. December the 25th, 1866, at Uniontown, Ohio, she was united in marriage to Dr. John Gregg. She became the mother of one son and five daughters, namely, Mrs. M. D. Garrison, of Quiet Dell; Mrs. E. A. Barton, Mrs. E. A. Rider and Mrs. L. Warren Mines, all of this city; Mrs. L. M. Barnard, of Frewsburg N. Y., and Warren C. Gregg, of Akron, Ohio.

After her marriage she and her husband lived at Rowlesburg, W. Va., until 1876, when they moved to Quiet Dell, Harrison county, until October, 1901, they came to Clarksburg where she remained until she "was not for God had called her."

At the age of fifteen she became a member of the Morristown Baptist church, Belmont, Ohio; until about 1887 she transferred her membership to Center Branch Baptist church, near this city. Her gentle, devoted, persistent and consistent Christian life was above question in the judgment of all who knew her. Her kindly manner, her loving spirit, her charitable nature, showed the purity, the depth, the loftiness of her Christian character. She was a loyal, faithful and devoted wife, a model mother, a sweet Christian woman. "For her to live was Christ, but to die was gain."

She was buried on Wednesday afternoon, November the twenty-ninth, in the Elk View cemetery.

The funeral services were largely attended, and very impressive, conducted by the Revs. Lloyd Holden, of the Baptist church, and Dr. S. K. Arbuthnot, of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The floral tributes were many and beautiful. "None knew her but to love her." She has gone, but has only "gone on before," and will not be forgotten.

To those who loved her so tenderly, and whose hearts are now bowed down with grief, and in tears mourn their great loss, go out the sympathy of the community.

May their be the consolation that comes from Him who shares all our sorrows, and the light of whose life penetrates every dark cloud of sorrow that may over-shadow our lives and homes.

Could mother send back any message to loved ones she would say: "Let not your heart be troubled." Then be content, "bleeding" hearts. God's plans like lilies pure and white unfold.

We must not tear the close shut leaves apart.

Time will reveal the colyxes of gold. And if through patient toil we reach the land.

Where tired feet with sandals loosed may rest,

Where he shall clearly see and understand.

I think that we shall say "God knew best."

### BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. J. J. Chidester gave a birthday dinner Thanksgiving Day in celebration of the 66th anniversary of her father, J. T. Goodwin. The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Goodwin, of Bristol; Howard Morris and Guy Goodwin, of Bridgeport, and Harley Goodwin of Lynch mines.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 2.—Dr. McLeod was today found not guilty in the Susanna Geary case. Hunt and Crawford, who had pleaded guilty were sentenced to 7 years in the state's prison.

The business of the council Friday night was routine and nothing of special importance was brought up, except that Mr. Kelley announced that there could be no work done on the proposed second dam until spring, but that efforts had thus far resulted in a handsome start so far as finances were concerned, through the sale of tickets and otherwise. He informed the council that he and the mayor and others had plans on to give a theatrical entertainment during the holidays at the opera house for this benefit, and the mayor told the council that Mr. Robinson, the opera house manager, had kindly donated the house for the purpose without cost, and that the proceeds, after paying the theatrical company a per cent. of the receipts, would be devoted to the fund for the dam.

Present of the councilmen were McAndrew, Kearns, Kelley, Anderson, Ernst and Smith, with the mayor in the chair and the clerk at the desk.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved.

Bills were read as follows:

James Boyle	\$ 181.67
Jno. Hickenbottom	2.50
Consolidated Telephone Co.	24.00
Clarksburg News	4.50
G. M. West	14.05
Clarksburg Gas Co.	20.70
Clarksburg High Grade	
Shale Brick Co.	210.70
Dr. Luther Haymond	17.00
Dan Limer	15.00
Electric Light Co.	465.50
Fabric Fire Hose Co.	100.00
Larkin Mfg. Co.	185.00
East & Holden Co.	5.50
Williams & Davison Co.	.60
Clarksburg Supply Co.	7.22
Oil Well Supply Co.	15.56
Street Pay Roll	133.30
Water works pay roll	94.73
A. G. Fordyce	40.00

Councilman Kelley thought in regard to the health officer's bill that there was a good deal of sickness. The bills upon his motion were ordered paid, McAndrew voting "no."

Mr. Kelley moved that the city pay Daniel Henry & Company, dam contractors, be allowed \$150 on account. In support of the motion he stated that the matter was not adjusted and could not be at this time and he intended to show that the dam was the best this side of Pittsburgh, and that there was yet money due on the dam. Smith seconded the motion and it passed without a dissenting vote.

The Union National Bank was allowed \$304.46 interest on city vouchers held by it.

M. M. Miles' restaurant license at 245 West Pike street, was transferred for him to 308 West Pike street. H. U. Crummit made application to council for privilege to erect a shop, 20 by 60 feet, in the center of Mrs. Mary Hueh's lot between Traders alley and West Pike street, and in the rear of the Walhour candy kitchen. The permit was granted, to conform with ordinances of the city.

Adeline C. Cahill was granted hotel license at the Capitol hotel in Glen Elk.

On motion of McAndrew, seconded by Kelley the bill of Dr. Luther Haymond for \$17.00 and that of A. G. Fordyce were referred to a special committee consisting of Ernst, McAndrews and Kearns to investigate.

## GETTING READY FOR TOYLAND

The Watts-Lambert Company is getting ready for toyland, and to do that they have to make more room on the second floor of their big store. So, they are selling new coats, suits, furs, waists, skirts, sweaters and linens at greatly reduced prices. The sale is now on in full blast and the goods are being moved quickly and the prices are proving popular and the goods are desirable. There is also a special sale of carpets and rugs. It is the intention to push these sales the next few days, so as to start early with toyland, which will excel in beauty and richness anything of the kind ever seen in Clarksburg. None should overlook this fine opportunity to get coats, furs, suits, etc., at bargain prices.



CAPTAIN AND MRS. W. J. POND,  
Who Established the Salvation Army in Clarksburg and  
are Here.

the term, but an unanimous effort is now being made in all directions to increase the interest among the Macabees of Clarksburg.

Sunday morning, Dec. 17, the annual sermon will be preached to the Macabees at Goff M. E. church by the Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot, and it is hoped that every member of the 225 will meet in the hall and join the procession to the church.

The tent now has the largest membership of any order in the city and it is rapidly advancing all lines of improvement, as it is no doubt the best and strongest fraternal and insurance order in the country.

## CAR OF GLASS IS DESTROYED

A car load of glass was destroyed Saturday morning at the glass factory at Adamston at a loss of fully three thousand dollars. The car had been loaded and as the yardmen were taking it away from the platform to run in another car to be loaded, the rails being slippery, it got beyond their control, ran wildly down the siding, struck the safety switch, jumped the track and rolled over an embankment, smashing itself and the glass all to pieces.

### Killed Bruno

Dr. Harvey V. Varner and Lloyd Jones, of this city, and H. H. King of Salem, are home from a hunting trip in Highland county, Va. They brought back a big black bear skin as a trophy of their valor and skill as hunters of no mean order. It was the first that has been killed there in several years.

Nebraska, where they lived in a number of different towns until the son was six years old. Then through drink and other causes his father and mother parted. His mother, a younger brother, a sister and himself went to Illinois to his grandfather's. After spending two years there his mother and father again went to live together in Lincoln, Nebraska. There what few school days he had were spent. But only a short time passed until through his father's drink and his mother's failing health, their home was again broken up. He and his brother were placed in an orphan's home, his sister having died in the meantime. After a stay of one year there Captain Pond was placed with a farmer to work for him until he reached 21 years of age. The farmer was to have given him a horse for nine years' work. But because of ill-treatment he ran away and left the farmer.

On Decoration Day, 1895, he went to Springfield, Ill., and there came in contact with the Salvation Army. He had never seen nor heard of it and was curious to learn something of it and this eventually led to his conversion. Since that time he has done splendid work in many cities and towns in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and the District of Columbia and is one of the best Salvationists of the present day. He has won a number of prizes selling War Crys, amounting to hundreds of dollars.

Mrs. Mable Pond is a native of New York state, and was converted at Fulton, N. Y., five years ago, together with her father and his entire family. One year afterward she married Captain Pond at Pittsburgh, Pa., and has been his faithful help-mate ever since.

Mrs. Pond is one of those quiet and make many new ones.

## LIBRARY BAZAAR WELL PATRONIZED

The library bazaar in the Central school building is a gratifying success so far from every view point. The attendance Friday afternoon and night was large and the sales were satisfactory. Received from sales the amount was \$50.30, from donors of books, \$15, and in money, \$27, making a total of \$92.30. The attendance today was not so large owing to the weather and the shopping to do but tonight the largest business of the bazaar is expected to be done.

## WILL INSPECT THE NEW BREWERY

Messrs. George Eckert, president and Ed. Benford, secretary, of the new brewery at the East End, arrived in the city from Pittsburgh Friday night. These gentlemen came to inspect their property, the brewery. The machinery is almost completely installed and operations for the manufacture of beer will begin very soon.

Christian women who appeal so strongly to the better nature of every one, whether she is selling the War Cry, singing at the meeting of the Army, or going about doing good to those who need it most. She is always doing the work with her whole heart. No wonder she is loved by all who know her true worth.

Captain and Mrs. Pond at the meetings tonight and tomorrow will be glad to see all their old friends and make many new ones.